Further, every place where there is an income tax office, an individual top tax payer in each of three categories shall get Samman provided he has not been honoured at the higher level.

The function to felicitate the recipients of Aayakar Ratna and a few of the recipients of Rashtriya Samman to be held at national level for Assessment Year 1998-99 has already been held at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi on 7th April, 2000 and Samman Patras have been awarded by the Finance Minister. The function to feliciate recipients at regional and local levels will follow shortly all over the country.

(c) In view of (b) above, the question does not arise.

Purchase of Computers in CGA Office, Lok Nayak Bhavan

3276. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Controller General of Accounts office at Lok Nayak Bhavan, New Delhi has purchased a number of computers and the same are being misused by the officials at their homes; and

(b) what is the number of computers with the said office and how many are being used in the office and the official's home?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL) (a) and (b) The number of computers with the office of the Controller General of Accounts is 89. No computer is being misused by the officials at their residence.

Delay in Payment to Legal Heirs in PNB

3277. SHRI ANIL SHARMA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is inordinate delay in payment of balance amount from the account to the legal heirs in the Punjab National Bank;

(b) whether it is also a fact that Punjab National Bank in the Naugaonkhal, Pauri Garhwal, U.P. refused to make payments to the genuine persons inspite of producing the necessary documents;

(c) if so, whether Government have received any complaint in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI BALASAHEB VIKHE PATIL): (a) and (b) No, Sir. The Punjab National Bank have reported that there is no inordinate delay in making such payments. The Bank have further reported that their Naugaonkhal, Pauri Garhwal, U.P. Branch did not refuse to make payment to genuine persons.

(c) to (e) Recently a complaint addressed by a Member of Parliament on behalf of one person was received. This claim case has been settled on 16.3.2000 on the basis of Succession Certificate produced by the claimant.

Seizure of Heroin

3278. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether biggest seizure of heroin has been reported in December, 1999;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken against those involved?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI V. DHANANJAYA KUMAR): (a) Yes, Sir. The biggest seizure of heroin during the last two years has been reported in December, 1999.

(b) On the intervening night of 21st/22nd December, 1999 officers of Narcotics Control Bureau, Delhi Zonal Unit intercepted a truck on National Highway No. 8 near Delhi. 77 packets containing 77 kgs. of heroin were recovered from the truck. The packets bore Pakistani markings.

(c) Three Afghans, two Pakistanis and three Indians were arrested in this connection. All the arrested persons are liable to be prosecuted under the stringent provisions of NDPS Act, 1985.

Duping of Investors by M/s. Perutek Services

3279. SHRI PRAKANTA WARISA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that recently M/s. Perutek Services Ltd., M-4 Chiranjiv Tower, Nehru Place, New Delhi, (a Pvt. Agro-based NBFC)